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My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Thank you for this other Bill of Supply which you have given Me, and I aſſure you the Money ſhall be laid out for the ends it is given: I hope We ſhall live to have Bills of this nature in the old Stile, with fewer Proviſoes. I looked to have had ſomewhat of-

fered to Me concerning the Accounts of the Money that hath been already raiſed ſince the War: which ſince you have not done, I will take care (after ſo much noiſe) that the ſame be not ſtifled, but will iſſue out My Commiſſion in the manner I formerly promiſed the Houſe of Peers; and the Commiſſioners ſhall have very much to anſwer, if they do not diſcover all matters of Fraud and Couſenage.

The ſeaſon of the year is very far ſpent, in which Our Enemies have got great advantages over Us; but by the grace of God, I will make all the Preparations I can, and as faſt as I can: And yet I muſt tell you, that if any good Overtures be made for an Honourable Peace, I will not reject them; and I believe all ſober men will be glad to ſee it brought to paſs.

I ſhall now Prorogue you till towards Winter, that you may in your

your ſeveral places intend the Peace and Security of your ſeveral Countreys, where there are unquiet Spirits enough working. And I do pray you, and I do expect it from you, that you will uſe your utmoſt endeavours to remove all thoſe falſe imaginations in the hearts of the People, which the malice of ill men have induſtriouſly infuſed into them, of I know not what Jealouſies and Grievances: For I muſt tell you again, and I am ſure I am in the right, That the People had never ſo little cauſe to complain of Oppreſſion and Grievances, as they have had ſince My return to you. If the Taxes and Impoſitions are heavy upon them, you will put them in mind, That a War with ſuch Powerful Enemies, cannot be maintained without Taxes; and I am ſure, the Money raiſed thereby, comes not into My Purſe.

I ſhall add no more, but that I promiſe My Self all good Effects

from your Affections and Wisdoms, wherever you are: And I hope We shall meet again of one mind, for My Honour, and the good of the Kingdom.

And now My Lord Privy Seal do as I have directed you.

Whereupon the Lord Privy Seal said,

My Lords, and you Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the House of Commons, It is His Majesties Pleasure, That this Parliament be Prorogued to the Tenth day of October *next: And accordingly this Parliament is Prorogued to the Tenth day of* October *next.*

In the *SAVOY*,
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to the Kings moſt Excellent
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